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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: XGDS-4
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SUBJ: NAMIBIA: REQUEST FOR COPY OF PROPOSAL

1. DURING COURSE OF CONVERSATION EVENING OF FEBRUARY 1, HAGE
GEINGOB, DIRECTOR OF NAMIBIA INSTITUTE AND MEMBER OF SWAPO
CENTRAL COMMITTEE, BROUGHT UP QUESTION OF DISTRIBUTION OF
CONTACT GROUP PROPOSALS. GEINGOB SAID HE HAD HEARD THAT THE
PROPOSAL WOULD BE GIVEN TO SWAPO SOON. HE WANTED TO KNOW IF
IT WOULD BE PUBLISHED LIKE THE WHITE PAPER CONTAINING THE
ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS ON RHODESIA. EMBOFF REPLIED THAT
HE DID NOT THINK PROPOSAL WOULD BE PUBLISHED OR MADE PUBLIC,
BUT THAT COPIES WOULD BE GIVEN TO THE PARTIES INVOLVED.

2. GEINGOB DREW EMBOFF FURTHER ASIDE AND SAID, "IF YOU WANT
YOUR PROPOSAL TO HAVE A CHANCE, YOU SHOULD MAKE SURE THAT
COPIES GET TO THOSE WHO SHOULD (EMPHASIZED) BY ANALYZING IT."
HE THEN ASKED IF EMBOFF COULD PROVIDE HIM WITH A COPY OF THE
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CONTACT GROUP PROPOSAL ONCE THE FORMAL PRESENTATION TO SWAPO
HAD BEEN MADE. EMBOFF WAS NONCOMMITAL BUT SAID HE WOULD GET
BACK IN TOUCH WITH GEINGOB.

3. COMMENT: BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER PLANS TO REQUEST MEETING
WITH NUJOMA IN NAME OF CONTACT GROUP LATE FEBRUARY 2 TO PRESENT
HIM WITH FIVE COPIES OF PROPOSAL. SWAPO HAS ITS OWN DUPLICATING

FACILITIES AND COULD MAKE WIDE DISTRIBUTION AMONG THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS. GEINGOB FOR ONE, AT LEAST, OBVIOUSLY DOES NOT THINK HE WILL SEE THE FULL PROPOSAL. THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL INDICATIONS THAT THE SWAPO NEGOTIATING TEAM HAD NOT BEEN COMPLETELY FORTHRIGHT WITH THEIR COLLEAGUES IN RECOUNTING MEETINGS WITH THE CONTACT GROUP. WE BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT THAT THOSE WITHIN SWAPO WHO MIGHT BE A MODERATING INFLUENCE, SUCH AS GEINGOB, HAVE THE FULL PROPOSALS AVAILABLE.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT EMBASSY BE AUTHORIZED TO PASS COPY OF PROPOSAL TO GEINGOB AND OTHERS IN SWAPO EXECUTIVE WHO MAY NOT GET FULL PROPOSAL FROM NUJOMA AND HIS NEGOTIATING COLLEAGUES. CLINGERMAN

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